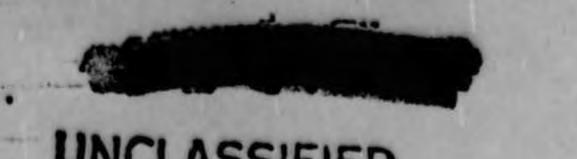
PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD 12 CONCLUSIONS LOCATION 1. DATE Was Balloon BITBURG, GERRAN 6 Dec 52 Probably Belloon Possiely Bailuen 4 TYPE OF CASEPVATION L DATE-TIVE GROUP Was Arrereft A Ground Radar O Camme- Visnoi Prohably Aircraft Possibly Aircroft [] Air-Imercept Rader Air- Visual S PHOTOS A. SCURCE Was Astronomi al Prohably Astronomical Agt For Civilian - Pilot 'S NUMBER OF OBJECTS 9. COURSE OF CBSERV ITION Insufficient Data for Exclustion 4 - 5 sec. One TO PRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGNATURE 11. COMMENTS

Streak shaped object with bright light at nose with a trail of dim lights following behind.
Traveled approx 400 mph at an altitude of 5700'. Object disappeared instantly. No a/c were reported in area during time of sighting.

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Litburg, Germany

6 December 1953

I. Description of Incident

The co-pilot of a London-to-Frankfurt commercial flight sighted a fast moving object for a 4 to 5 second period. The unknown phenomenon crossed his flight path in front of him at a 90° angle and abruptly disappeared in a downward direction. Time of sighting was 1800. The object was bright at its core with a faint tail.

II. Discussion of Incident

This is a rather incomplete report. A check was made with the Frankfurt flight service center which revealed that no aircraft were in the vicinity. These factors enter into the evaluation of this report: 1) The object arched downward and had a tail. 2) It was seen for 1, to 5 seconds. These points are characteristic of a meteor.

III. Conclusion

Probably a meteor.

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co-pilot on British European Airways flight #492 from London to Frankfort Rhein-Main on 6 Dec 52, reported to the Military Police customs officials at the Rhein-Main commercial Terminal the sighting of an unidentified flying object. Information furnished is as follows:

a. A written statement made by source is as follows: "Sighted streak shaped object with bright lighted nose and a dim trail of light behind, crossing our track at 90° to the right. Watched it for approximately 4-5 seconds when it abruptly disappeared. There was no cloud at our height, .8 clear skys above us."

b. Sighting was made in vicinity of Bitburg, Germany (NKGE3259) at approx-

imately 1300Z on 6 Dec 52.

co-pilot, was apparently the only person in the a/c making an observation. He called the attention of the pilot to the object, but the object had vanished before the captain could see it. No subsequent sightings were made. Altitude of the a/c at time of observation was 5500'.

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FILOT BUT THE OBJECT DISAPPEARED BEFORE HE WAS ABLE TO SEE IT.
ACFT WAS FLYING ABOVE CVERCAST WITH CELAR SKIES ABOVE. SIGHTING
WAS MADE NEAR BITBURG, GERMANY (45 DEGREES 55 N/06 DEGREES 32 E) AT

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APPROX 1800Z, 6 DEC 52. SPEED ESTIMATED AT 400 MPH, ALTITUDE 5700 FT. ALTITUDE OF ACFT 550P FT. WEA 2200 FT. OVERCAST WITH TOPS AT 5000 FT., VISIBILITY 4 MILES, WINDS 90 8 KNCTS AT SURFACE, 50 DEGREES AT 15 KNOTS AT 10,000, NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY HAS BEEN REPORTED. A CHECK WITH FRANKFURT FLT SERVICE REVEALED NO ACFT ALPORTED IN VICINITY AT TIME OF SIGHTING.

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